Select Four Apple Blossom Princesses

Four Apple Blossom Princesses, selected by the Horticultural Societies of Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania are announced today for the Queen's court at the 20th International Apple Blossom Festival, May 1 to 3.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson Gaines, of Winchester, a student at Westhampton College, University of Richmond, was chosen by the Virginia State Horticultural Society as its representative to the Court of Queen Blossomtime XXV. Brown-eyed Miss Gaines is 20 years old, is majoring in history at Westhampton and is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Her father, Dr. Edmund Pendleton Gaines, is professor of Bible and History at Richmond College.

Sharpest competition was reported in the selection of the princess from Maryland, with Miss Mary Ann Hoffman, Hagerstown, finally chosen. Miss Hoffman, a graduate of Hagerstown Junior College, is a student at Penn State and is majoring in horticulture. She formerly attended Hood College, Frederick, Md., and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hoffman, Hagerstown. Miss Hoffman is a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority.

Miss Mary E. Starnes is the princess from the Harrison Horticultural Society in West Virginia. She is a brown-eyed, golden-haired beauty, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Starnes, Clarksburg. She is a junior at the Harrison-Rice Business College in Washington, D. C., and is also presently employed in the United States Department of Agriculture.

West Virginia State Horticultural Society has chosen Miss Betty Jo Bennett, Bethany, as its princess. Miss Bennett is a graduate of Bethany High School and is a freshman at Bethany College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrington Bennett, Bethany. Miss Bennett is a member of the Bethany Women's Club and the Bethany Garden Club.

Miss Rebecca Shaub, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shaub, Hagerstown, Md., has been chosen princess from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Miss Shaub is a graduate of the Hagerstown Junior College and is a junior at Penn State College, majoring in horticulture. She is a member of the Mt. Calvary Presbyterian church in Germantown, district.

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Dr. Foreman

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